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Local Government Type	Local Government Name	County
☐ City	Chester Township	Ottawa
Audit Date Opinion Date 6/24/05	Date Accountant Report Submitted to State: 10/13/05	

We have audited the financial statements of this local unit of government and rendered an opinion on financial statements prepared in accordance with the Statements of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) and the Uniform Reporting Format for Financial Statements for Counties and Local Units of Government in Michigan by the Michigan Department of Treasury.

We affirm that:

- 1. We have complied with the Bulletin for the Audits of Local Units of Government in Michigan as revised.
- 2. We are certified public accountants registered to practice in Michigan.

We further affirm the following. "Yes" responses have been disclosed in the financial statements, including the notes, or in the report of comments and recommendations

You must check the applicable box for each item below. 1. Certain component units/funds/agencies of the local unit are excluded from the financial statements. Yes 🗸 No Yes **√** No 2. There are accumulated deficits in one or more of this unit's unreserved fund balances/retained earnings (P.A. 275 of 1980). Yes **√** No 3. There are instances of non-compliance with the Uniform Accounting and Budgeting Act (P.A. 2 of 1968, as amended). **√** No 4. The local unit has violated the conditions of either an order issued under the Municipal Finance Act or its Yes requirements, or an order issued under the Emergency Municipal Loan Act. 5. The local unit holds deposits/investments which do not comply with statutory requirements. (P.A. 20 of 1943, Yes **√** No as amended [MCL 129.91], or P.A. 55 of 1982, as amended [MCL 38.1132]). 6. The local unit has been delinquent in distributing tax revenues that were collected for another taxing unit. Yes ✓ No The local unit has violated the Constitutional requirement (Article 9, Section 24) to fund current year earned Yes 7. pension benefits (normal costs) in the current year. If the plan is more than 100% funded and the overfunding credits are more than the normal cost requirement, no contributions are due (paid during the year). **√** No Yes 8. The local unit uses credit cards and has not adopted an applicable policy as required by P.A. 266 of 1995 (MCL 129.241). Yes 9. The local unit has not adopted an investment policy as required by P.A. 196 of 1997 (MCL 129.95).

We have enclosed the following:	Enclosed	To Be Forwarded	Not Required
The letter of comments and recommendations.	✓		
Reports on individual federal financial assistance programs (program audits).			✓
Single Audit Reports (ASLGU).			✓

Certified Public Accountant (Firm Name)				
Hungerford, Aldrin, Nichols & Carter, PC				
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Accountant Signature Hernger for at Aldrew, Nichol Herley PC.		10/13/0	05	

Ottawa County, Michigan

Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

For the year ended March 31, 2005

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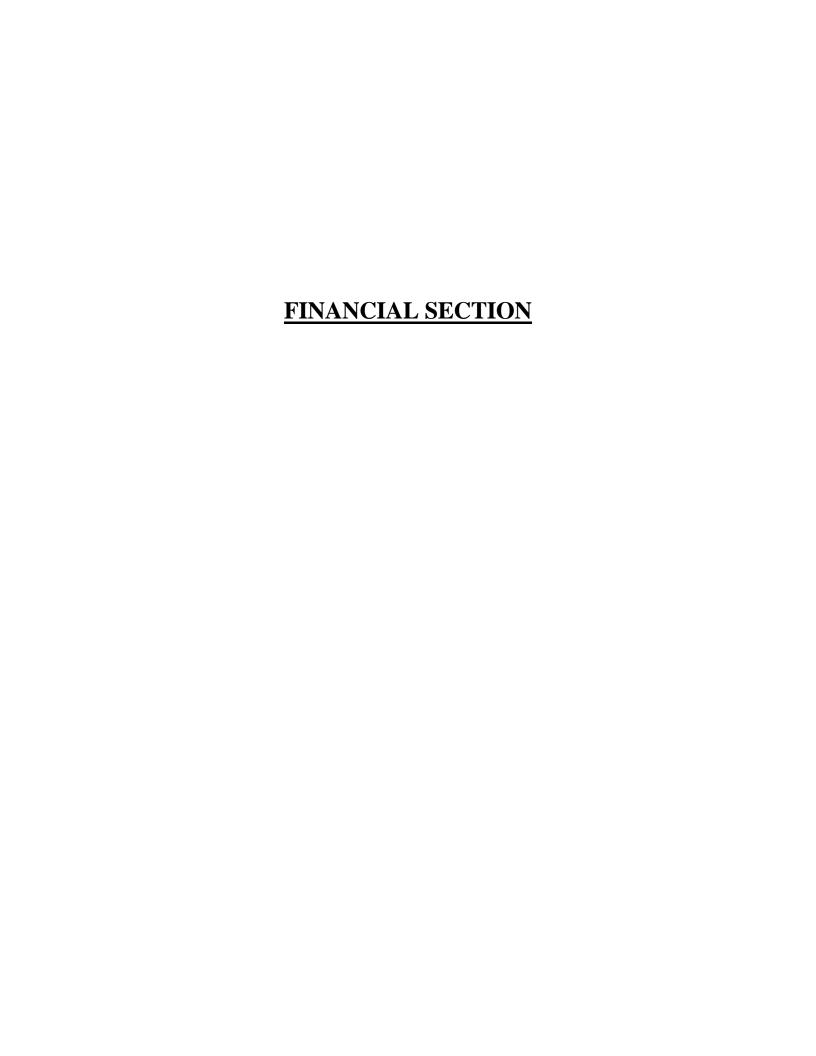
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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

June 24, 2005

The Township Board Chester Township Ottawa County, Michigan

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental and business-type activities, the major funds and the aggregate remaining fund information of Chester Township (the "Township") as of and for the year ended March 31, 2005, which collectively comprise the Township's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the elected officials and management of the Township. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the governmental and business-type activities, the major funds and the aggregate remaining fund information of Chester Township as of March 31, 2005, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, thereof for the year then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As described in Note A, the Township has implemented a new financial reporting model, as required by the provisions of Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments*, as of April 1, 2004.

Management's Discussion and Analysis is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The supplemental information as listed in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements of Chester Township. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Hungerford, Aldin, Vichol Herter, P.C.

Certified Public Accountants

As management of the Chester Township ("the Township"), we offer readers of the financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Township for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2005. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with the Township's financial statements, which immediately follow this section.

Financial Highlights

- The Township's net assets increased by \$136,679 (or 5 percent).
- Total expenses of the Township's programs were \$465,166.
- Total revenues, including all program and general revenues, were \$601,845.
- At the close of the current year, the Township's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$1,174,291, an increase of \$185,229 over the prior year.
- At the end of the current year, the unreserved/undesignated fund balance for the General Fund was \$263,024, or 91 percent of total General Fund expenditures.
- The Township's Sewer Enterprise Fund had \$1,024,078 in net assets at year-end.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Township's basic financial statements. The Township's basic financial statements comprise three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, 3) notes to basic financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

Government-wide financial statements. The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the Township's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The Statement of Net Assets presents information on all of the Township's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as *net assets*. Over time, increases or decreases in net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Township is improving or deteriorating.

The Statement of Activities presents information showing how the Township's net assets changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net assets are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future periods (e.g. uncollected property taxes and earned but uncollected sewer usage fees and special assessments).

Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions of the Township that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities) from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges (business-type activities). The governmental activities of the Township include general government, public safety, roads and parks. The business-type activity of the Township is the Sewer Enterprise Fund.

The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 12-13 of this report.

Fund financial statements. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The Township, like other local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

All of the funds of the Township can be divided into three categories: governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds.

Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

The Township maintains six individual governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental funds balance sheet and statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances for the General Fund, Fire Fund, Road Fund and Improvement Revolving Fund, all of which are considered to be major funds. Data from the other two governmental funds is combined into a single, aggregated presentation. Individual fund data for each of these nonmajor governmental funds is provided in the form of combining statements elsewhere in this report. The basic governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 14-24 of this report.

The Township adopts an annual appropriated budget for its General Fund. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the General Fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

Proprietary funds are used to report the same functions presented as business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. The Township maintains the Sewer Enterprise Fund to account for its sanitary sewer usage operation and maintenance. The basic proprietary fund financial statements can be found on pages 25-27 of this report.

Fiduciary funds provide information about the financial relationships in which the Township acts solely as a trustee or agent for the benefit of others. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of these funds are not available to support the Township's own programs. The accounting used for fiduciary funds is like that used for proprietary funds.

Notes to basic financial statements provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to basic financial statements can be found on pages 29-40 of this report.

Government - Wide Financial Analysis

As noted earlier, net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. In the case of Chester Township, assets exceeded liabilities by \$2,820,760 at the close of the fiscal year.

A substantial portion of the Township's net assets, \$1,160,235 (41 percent), reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g. land, buildings, sewer system, vehicles, equipment), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. The Township uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the Township's investment in capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

The Statement of Net Assets provides financial information on the Township as a whole as of March 31, 2005.

	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
Assets			
Current assets	\$ 1,179,543	\$ 271,167	\$ 1,450,710
Capital assets	622,391	1,205,844	1,828,235
Restricted assets	<u> </u>	230,000	230,000
Total Assets	1,801,934	1,707,011	3,508,945
Liabilities			
Current liabilities	5,252	21,933	27,185
Long-term liabilities		661,000	661,000
Total Liabilities	5,252	682,933	688,185
Net Assets			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	622,391	537,844	1,160,235
Restricted	· 	445,999	445,999
Unrestricted	1,174,291	40,235	1,214,526
Total Net Assets	\$ 1,796,682	\$ 1,024,078	\$ 2,820,760

An additional portion of the Township's net assets, \$445,999 (16 percent) represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The Township may use the remaining balance of unrestricted net assets of \$1,214,526 (43 percent) to meet its ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

At the end of the current fiscal year, the Township is able to report positive balances in all three categories of net assets, both for the government as a whole, and for its separate governmental and business-type activities.

The Statement of Activities presents changes in net assets from operating results for the year ended March 31, 2005:

	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
Program Revenues			
Charges for services	\$ 22,026	\$ 29,688	\$ 51,714
General Revenues			
Property taxes	259,857		259,857
State/intergovernmental revenue	196,128		196,128
Interest earnings	18,786	25,673	44,459
Other	10,187		10,187
Gain on sale of capital assets	39,500		39,500
Total Revenues	546,484	55,361	601,845
Expenses			
General government	167,312		167,312
Public safety	134,544	_	134,544
Public works	51,792	_	51,792
Recreational and cultural	11,059	_	11,059
Other township	20,796	_	20,796
Sewer operations		79,663	79,663
Total Expenses	385,503	79,663	465,166
Increase (decrease) in net assets	160,981	(24,302)	136,679
Net Assets - Beginning of Year	1,635,701	1,048,380	2,684,081
Net Assets - End of Year	\$ 1,796,682	\$ 1,024,078	\$ 2,820,760

The Township's total net assets increased by \$136,679 during the fiscal year ending March 31, 2005, attributable mainly to property tax valuation increases and budget restraints implemented to compensate for the reduction in state revenue sharing.

Governmental activities increased the Township's net assets by \$160,981. Key elements of this change are as follows:

- Property taxes decreased by \$64,036 (19 percent). This change is a product of new construction in the Township and increased valuations on existing properties, combined with a reduction in the road millage tax rate.
- Governmental funds' expenditure budgets for 2004-05 decreased over \$312,000 compared to 2003-04 amounts due to the planning and oversight of the Township Board and a reduction in road improvement expenditures.

Business-type activities (sewer operations) decreased the Township's net assets by \$24,302, mainly due to depreciation expense on sewer system assets and interest expense on sewer long-term debt.

Financial Analysis of the Township's Funds

As noted earlier, the Township uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements

Governmental funds. The focus of the Township's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the Township's financing requirements. In particular, unreserved fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

As of the end of the current fiscal year, the Township's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$1,174,291, a increase of \$185,229 in comparison with the prior year. 100 percent of this total amount constitutes unreserved fund balance, which is available for spending at the Township's discretion.

Chester Township's funds are described as follows:

Major Funds

The *General Fund* is our primary operating fund. The General Fund had total revenues of \$351,370, total expenditures of \$238,457, and transfers to other funds of \$55,000. It ended the year with a fund balance of \$263,024, up from \$205,111 at March 31, 2004.

Revenue sharing payments have dropped 16% since 2001. Careful budgeting has allowed us to avoid a reduction of services, however, it has been necessary to use fund balance monies to continue to balance the budget.

There have been no significant changes in our tax base that would allow us to recover from the revenue sharing losses.

The *Fire Fund* levies property taxes for fire protection services. The Fund had total revenues of \$93,177, total expenditures of \$73,390 including transfers from the General Fund of \$5,000. It ended the year with a fund balance of \$207,455, up from \$182,668 at March 31, 2004.

Monies from this fund are being placed in savings for the purpose of acquiring additional fire fighting equipment.

The *Roads Fund* levies property taxes for road improvement purposes. The Fund had total revenues of \$97,638 and total expenditures of \$41,149. It ended the year with a fund balance of \$419,749, up from \$363,260 at March 31, 2004.

Our road millage was reduced from 5 mills in 2002-03 to 3 mills in 2003-04 and to 1.5 mills for 2004-05. The amount generated by this millage is approximately the amount needed to repave $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles of road per year.

The *Improvement Revolving Fund* collects General Fund contributions to be used for future capital improvement projects. The Fund had total revenues of \$4,007, transfers from the General Fund of \$30,000 and total expenditures of zero. It ended the year with a fund balance of \$246,034, up from \$212,027 at March 31, 2004.

Monies are being placed in this fund for the purpose of constructing a new township office building.

Nonmajor Funds

The *Park Fund* collects interest, grants and General Fund contributions for use in maintaining and improving the Township park. Total revenues were \$88, transfers from the General Fund were \$20,000 and expenditures totaled \$8,259. It ended the year with a fund balance of \$13,676, up from \$1,847 at March 31, 2004.

The *Budget Stabilization Fund* collects contributions from the General Fund to be used for future unbudgeted expenditures. Total revenues were \$204, transfers from the General Fund of zero and expenditures were zero. It ended the year with a fund balance of \$24,353, up from \$24,149 at March 31, 2004.

Proprietary fund. The Township's proprietary fund financial statements provide the same type of information found in the government-wide financial statements, but in more detail. The Sewer Enterprise Fund had total revenues of \$55,361, total expenses of \$79,663 and a decrease in net assets of \$24,302 from March 31, 2004. Other factors concerning the finances of this fund have already been addressed in the discussion of the Township's business-type activities.

If the projected growth that was built into the financial structure of the sewer system does not occur in the near future, increases in the fees charged to customers will have to be considered.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

Over the course of the year, the Township revised the annual operating budget several times, but only at the line item level. The budget was not amended during the year at the department/function level.

Capital Asset and Debt Administration

Capital Assets

At March 31, 2005, the Township had a \$2,188,429 investment in a broad range of capital assets, including land, land improvements, sewer system, buildings and improvements, and furniture and equipment. (More detailed information about capital assets can be found in the notes to basic financial statements.)

Capital asset purchases totaled \$2,979 for the fiscal year with accumulated depreciation increasing \$54,150. The net book value of capital assets at March 31, 2005 is detailed as follows:

	vernmental Activities		ess-type ivities	Total
Land	\$ 55,700	\$	_	\$ 55,700
Land improvements	36,039			36,039
Buildings and improvements	307,077		_	307,077
Furniture and equipment	7,252		_	37,252
Vehicles	186,323		_	186,323
Sewer system	 	1,2	205,844	 1,205,844
Net Capital Assets	\$ 622,391	\$ 1,2	205,844	\$ 1,828,235

• The sale of township owned property resulted in revenues of approximately \$36,000.

Long-Term Debt

At year end, the Township had \$668,000 in bonds (sewer revenue) outstanding. Prior year debt balances were reduced by payments of \$7,000 during the current year. There is more detailed information about long-term liabilities in the Notes to Basic Financial Statements.

Factors Bearing on the Township's Future

At the time these financial statements were prepared and audited, the Township was aware of the following existing circumstances that could significantly affect its financial health in the future:

- The Township's initial General Fund budget for 2005-06 anticipates very little change in year end fund balances for the General and Fire Funds. This estimate reflects property tax growth within the Township, continuing reductions in state shared revenues and a continuing effort to control/reduce costs within the Township, while continuing to maintain a high quality of taxpayer service.
- An increase of approximately \$45,000 is anticipated for the Road Fund. These funds will be needed for future road improvement projects.

The need to find adequate facilities for our Township offices is a challlange we will face in the very near future. The reduction in revenue sharing has made it impossible for us to set monies aside for this project. We will need to look at the possibility of asking for a millage or incurring debt.

An expansion of our current sewer facilities, or the establishment of a new treatment district, may require a substantial investment on the part of the Township.

Contacting the Township's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide the Township's citizens, taxpayers, customers, and investors and creditors with a general overview of the Township's finances and to demonstrate the Township's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Jan Redding, Township Clerk, Chester Township, 19340 32nd Avenue, Conklin, MI, 49403.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CHESTER TOWNSHIP Statement of Net Assets March 31, 2005

Assets	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
Current Assets			
Cash equivalents (Note B)	\$ -	\$ 75	\$ 75
Deposits (Note B)	1,103,952	223,429	1,327,381
Receivables:	-,,	,	-,,
Taxes (Note C)	20,193	-	20,193
Accounts	1,353	16,513	17,866
Due from tax roll	-	4,959	4,959
Special assessments	-	24,260	24,260
Accrued interest	-	2,900	2,900
Due from other governmental units	28,674	-	28,674
Prepaid expenditures	24,402	-	24,402
Interfund balances	969	(969)	
Total Current Assets	1,179,543	271,167	1,450,710
Noncurrent Assets			
Capital assets (Note E)	807,579	1,380,850	2,188,429
Less accumulated depreciation	(185,188)	(175,006)	(360,194)
•			
Net capital assets	622,391	1,205,844	1,828,235
Restricted assets:			
Special assessments receivable	-	230,000	230,000
Total Noncurrent Assets	622,391	1,435,844	2,058,235
Total Assets	1,801,934	1,707,011	3,508,945
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Accounts payable	5,252	_	5,252
Due to other governmental units	5,252	3,521	3,521
Accrued interest payable	_	11,412	11,412
Current portion of noncurrent liabilities (Note H)	_	7,000	7,000
Total Current Liabilities	5,252	21,933	27,185
			
Noncurrent Liabilities (Note A, H)			
Sewage disposal bonds payable		661,000	661,000
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Total Liabilities	5,252	682,933	688,185
Net Assets			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	622,391	537,844	1,160,235
Restricted:			
Debt service	-	445,999	445,999
Unrestricted	1,174,291	40,235	1,214,526
Total Net Assets	\$ 1,796,682	\$ 1,024,078	\$ 2,820,760

CHESTER TOWNSHIP Statement of Activities For the year ended March 31, 2005

	Program Revenues		Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Assets			
Functions/Programs	Expenses		harges Services	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
Governmental activities:						
General government	\$167,312	\$	3,487	\$ (163,825)	\$ -	\$(163,825)
Public safety	134,544		18,539	(116,005)	-	(116,005)
Public works	51,792			(51,792)	-	(51,792)
Recreation and cultural	11,059		_	(11,059)	_	(11,059)
Other township	20,796		_	(20,796)		(20,796)
Total Governmental Activities	\$385,503	\$	22,026	(363,477)		(363,477)
Business-type activities:						
Sewer enterprise fund	\$ 79,663	\$	29,688		(49,975)	(49,975)
C	eneral revenues	:				
	Property taxes 1		for:			
	General opera	tions		84,934	-	84,934
	Fire			87,070	-	87,070
	Roads			87,853	-	87,853
	State revenue sh	naring		196,128	-	196,128
	Interest earning	S		18,786	25,673	44,459
	Other			10,187	-	10,187
	Gain on sale of	capita	1 assets	39,500		39,500
	Total G	enera	l Revenue	s 524,458	25,673	550,131
	Change in Net Assets		160,981	(24,302)	136,679	
	Net Assets - Be	ginniı	ng of Year	1,635,701	1,048,380	2,684,081
	Net Assets - End of Year			\$ 1,796,682	\$ 1,024,078	\$2,820,760

CHESTER TOWNSHIP Balance Sheet Governmental Funds March 31, 2005

			Special Revenue					
	(General		Fire		Road		rovement evolving
Assets								
Deposits (Note B) Receivables:	\$	219,939	\$	187,143	\$	412,807	\$	246,034
Taxes (Note C) Accounts		6,367 1,226		6,884		6,942		-
Due from other funds (Note D) Due from other governmental units (Note F)		2,742 27,394		1,280		-		-
Prepaid expenditures		10,372		14,030		_		_
Total Assets	\$	268,040	\$	209,337	\$	419,749	\$	246,034
Liabilities and Fund Balances								
Liabilities Accounts payable Due to other funds (Note D)	\$	5,016	\$	236 1,646	\$	- -	\$	- -
Total Liabilities		5,016		1,882				
Fund Balances: Unreserved: Undesignated, reported in:								
General fund Special revenue funds		263,024		207,455		419,749		246,034
Total Fund Balances		263,024		207,455		419,749		246,034
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$	268,040	\$	209,337	\$	419,749	\$	246,034

 Other ernmental	Total
\$ 38,029	\$ 1,103,952
- - - -	 20,193 1,226 2,742 28,674 24,402
\$ 38,029	\$ 1,181,189
\$ - -	\$ 5,252 1,646
_	6,898
38,029	263,024 911,267
38,029	1,174,291
\$ 38,029	\$ 1,181,189

Reconciliation of Total Governmental Fund Balances to Net Assets of Governmental Activities March 31, 2005

Total governmental fund balances \$ 1,174,291 Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Assets are different because: Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported as assets in governmental funds. The cost of assets is \$807,579 and accumulated depreciation is \$185,188. Total net assets - governmental activities \$ 1,796,682

CHESTER TOWNSHIP Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances **Governmental Funds** For the year ended March 31, 2005

				Speci	ial Revenue	
D.	General	<u> </u>	Fire		Road	rovement evolving
Revenues Taxes Licenses and permits	\$ 84,9 18,5		\$ 87,070	\$	87,853	\$
State sources Charges for services	193,1		-		3,010	-
Interest and rentals Other revenue		328	2,884 3,223		6,775 -	4,007
Total Revenues	351,3	370	93,177		97,638	 4,007
Expenditures Current:						
General government Public safety	166,9 40,1	101	73,390		-	- -
Public works Recreation and cultural Other township	10,6	-	- - -		41,149 - -	- - -
Total Expenditures	238,4		73,390		41,149	_
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	112,9	913	 19,787		56,489	 4,007
Other Financing Sources (Uses) Transfers in Transfers out	(55,0)	00)	5,000		- -	30,000
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(55,0	00)	5,000			30,000
Net Change in Fund Balances	57,9	913	24,787		56,489	34,007
Fund Balances, April 1	205,1	111	 182,668		363,260	 212,027
Fund Balances, March 31	\$ 263,0)24	\$ 207,455	\$	419,749	\$ 246,034

Other	
Governmental	Total
\$	\$ 259,857
-	18,539
-	196,128
202	3,487
292	18,786
	49,687
292	546,484
_	166,917
_	113,491
_	51.792
8,259	51,792 8,259
-	20,796
8,259	361,255
(7,967)	185,229
20,000	55,000 (55,000)
	(55,000)
20,000	
12,033	185,229
25,996	989,062
\$ 38,029	\$ 1,174,291

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities For the year ended March 31, 2005

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds

\$ 185,229

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of these assets is capitalized and the cost is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which depreciation exceeded capital outlays in the current period:

Capital outlays	\$ 2,979		
Depreciation expense	(27,227)		(24,248)
Total changes in net assets - governmental activities		<u> </u>	160,981
Total changes in het assets - governmental activities		Ψ	100,761

General Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual For the year ended March 31, 2005

Dovonyog	Budgeted Original	Amounts Final	Actual	Variance With Final Budget - Positive (Negative)
Revenues	¢ 96.100	¢ 96 100	\$ 84,934	¢ (1.166)
Taxes	\$ 86,100 20,000	\$ 86,100 20,000	\$ 84,934 18,539	\$ (1,166) (1,461)
Licenses and permits State sources	180,000	180,000	193,118	13,118
	5,000	5,000	3,487	
Charges for services Interest and rentals			4,828	(1,513)
Other revenue	1,500	1,500	4,828 46,464	3,328
2 11112 2 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	4,340	4,340		42,124
Total Revenues	296,940	296,940	351,370	54,430
Expenditures Current:				
General government:				
Township board	4,476	4,476	4,952	(476)
Supervisor	14,684	14,684	15,223	(539)
Elections	2,745	2,745	2,463	282
Assessor	16,036	16,036	15,426	610
Legal and audit	23,000	23,000	16,236	6,764
Clerk	18,728	18,728	18,721	7
Board of review	746	746	373	373
General administration	56,880	56,880	56,581	299
Treasurer	21,255	21,255	18,801	2,454
Buildings and grounds	20,206	20,206	14,727	5,479
Cemetery	7,306	7,306	3,414	3,892
Total general government	186,062	186,062	166,917	19,145
Public safety:	12.500	12.500	11.062	1.620
Law enforcement	13,500	13,500	11,862	1,638
Inspections	22,900	22,900	13,117	9,783
Planning	5,200	5,200	3,657	1,543
Zoning	11,865	11,865	11,465	400
Total public safety	53,465	53,465	40,101	13,364
Public works:				
Drains	2,000	2,000	-	2,000
Highways, streets and bridges	500	500	-	500
Street lighting	5,500	5,500	4,476	1,024
Weed control	6,500	6,500	5,350	1,150
Sewer and water system			817	(817)
Total public works	14,500	14,500	10,643	3,857
Other township	35,200	35,200	20,796	14,404
Total Expenditures	289,227	289,227	238,457	50,770
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures	7,713	7,713	112,913	105,200
Other Financing Sources (Uses)	/== 550	/== 0 0 0:	/== aaa:	
Transfers out	(55,000)	(55,000)	(55,000)	
Net Change in Fund Balances	(47,287)	(47,287)	57,913	105,200
Fund Balances, April 1	205,111	205,111	205,111	
Fund Balances, March 31	\$ 157,824	\$ 157,824	\$ 263,024	\$ 105,200

See accompanying notes to basic financial statements.

Fire Special Revenue Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual For the year ended March 31, 2005

Revenues	<u>H</u>	Budget	 Actual	Pe	riance - ositive egative)
Taxes Interest and rentals Other revenue	\$	85,000 500 -	\$ 87,070 2,884 3,223	\$	2,070 2,384 3,223
Total Revenues		85,500	 93,177		7,677
Expenditures Current: Public safety		91,752	 73,390		18,362
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures		(6,252)	 19,787		26,039
Other Financing Sources Transfers in		5,000	5,000		
Net Change in Fund Balances		(1,252)	24,787		26,039
Fund Balances, April 1		182,668	 182,668		-
Fund Balances, March 31	\$	181,416	\$ 207,455	\$	26,039

Road Special Revenue Fund

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual For the year ended March 31, 2005

Revenues Taxes State sources Interest and rentals	\$ Budget 110,000 1,500 750	\$ Actual 87,853 3,010 6,775	F	ariance - Positive legative) (22,147) 1,510 6,025
Total Revenues	 112,250	97,638		(14,612)
Expenditures Current: Public works:				
Highways, streets and bridges	 51,200	 41,149		10,051
Net Change in Fund Balances	61,050	56,489		(4,561)
Fund Balances, April 1	 363,260	 363,260		_
Fund Balances, March 31	\$ 424,310	\$ 419,749	\$	(4,561)

Improvement Revolving Special Revenue Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual For the year ended March 31, 2005

Revenues	Budget		Actual		Variance - Positive (Negative)	
Interest and rentals	\$	1,500	\$	4,007	\$	2,507
Expenditures						
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures		1,500		4,007		2,507
Other Financing Sources Transfers in				30,000		30,000
Net Change in Fund Balances		1,500		34,007		32,507
Fund Balances, April 1		212,027		212,027		
Fund Balances, March 31	\$	213,527	\$	246,034	\$	32,507

See accompanying notes to basic financial statements.

CHESTER TOWNSHIP Statement of Net Assets Proprietary Fund March 31, 2005

	Sewer Enterprise
Assets	
Current Assets	
Cash equivalents (Note B)	\$ 75
Deposits (Note B)	35,823
Receivables:	7.517
Accounts Due from top well	7,517
Due from tax roll	1,310
Restricted assets:	197.606
Deposits (Note B) Accounts receivable	187,606 8,996
Due from tax roll	3,649
Accrued interest	2,900
Special assessments - current portion	24,260
Total Current Assets	272,136
Noncurrent Assets	4.000.050
Capital assets (Note E)	1,380,850
Less accumulated depreciation	(175,006)
Net capital assets	1,205,844
Restricted assets:	
Special assessments receivable	230,000
Total Noncurrent Assets	1,435,844
Total Assets	1,707,980
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Due to other funds (Note D)	969
Due to other governmental units	3,521
Accrued interest payable	11,412
Current portion of noncurrent liabilities (Note H)	7,000
Total Current Liabilities	22,902
Noncurrent Liabilities (Note A, H)	
Sewage disposal bonds payable	661,000
Total Liabilities	683,902
Net Assets	
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	537,844
Restricted:	337,644
Debt service	445,999
Unrestricted	40,235
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Total Net Assets	\$ 1,024,078

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Net Assets Proprietary Fund For the year ended March 31, 2005

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	Sewer Enterprise	
Operating Revenues Charges for services	\$	24,828
Operating Expenses		
Salaries		2,159
Office supplies and postage		857
Operation and maintenance		14,094
Audit fees		1,200
Depreciation		26,924
Total Operating Expenses		45,234
Operating Loss		(20,406)
Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)		
Interest earnings		25,673
Connection charges		4,860
Interest expense		(34,429)
Net Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)		(3,896)
Change in Net Assets		(24,302)
Retained Earnings, April 1		1,048,380
Retained Earnings, March 31	\$	1,024,078

CHESTER TOWNSHIP Statement of Cash Flows Proprietary Fund For the year ended March 31, 2005

		Sewer Enterprise	
Cash Flows From Operating Activities Receipts from customers Payments to suppliers Payments to employees	\$	25,237 (16,151) (2,159)	
Net Cash Provided By Operating Activities		6,927	
Cash Flows From Capital and Related Financing Activities Collection of special assessments Connection charges Principal paid on bonds Interest paid on bonds		4,300 4,860 (7,000) (34,417)	
Net Cash Used For Capital and Related Financing Activities		(32,257)	
Cash Flows From Investing Activities Interest received		32,673	
Net Increase In Cash and Cash Equivalents		7,343	
Cash and Cash Equivalents, beginning of year		216,161	
Cash and Cash Equivalents, end of year	\$	223,504	
Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) To Net Cash Provided By (Used For) By Operating Activities Operating loss Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash	\$	(20,406)	
provided (used) by operating activities: Depreciation		26,924	
Changes in assets and liabilities: (Increase) decrease in accounts receivable (Increase) decrease in due from property tax roll (Increase) decrease in special assessments receivable (Increase) decrease in interest receivable Increase (decrease) in due to other governmental units Increase (decrease) in due to other funds Increase (decrease) in accrued interest payable		1,323 431 5,827 (7,000) 434 (618)	
Total adjustments		27,333	
Net Cash Provided By Operating Activities	\$	6,927	

CHESTER TOWNSHIP Fiduciary Funds Statement of Fiduciary Net Assets March 31, 2005

Assets Deposits (Note B)	Agency Funds	
	\$	11,127
Liabilities		
Due to other funds (Note D) Escrow deposits	\$	127 11,000
Total Liabilities	\$	11,127

NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CHESTER TOWNSHIP Notes to Basic Financial Statements March 31, 2005

Note A – Description of the Township

Chester Township was organized as a general law township under applicable laws of the State of Michigan and is governed by a Supervisor, Clerk, Treasurer and two Trustees, each of whom is elected for a four year term of office. The Township provides the following services to its residents as provided by statute: public safety (fire and inspections), highways, streets and bridges, sanitation, parks and recreation, cultural, public improvements, planning and zoning, general administrative and other services.

The financial statements of Chester Township (the "Township") have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applicable to Townships. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

In the fiscal year ended March 31, 2005, the Township adopted GASB Statement No. 34, "Basic Financial Statements – Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments." GASB Statement No. 34 requires new basic financial statements for reporting on the Township's financial activities. The effect of this change was to include a management's discussion and analysis (MD&A) section providing an analysis of the Township's overall financial position and results of operation; include government-wide financial statements prepared on the full accrual basis of accounting; and include fund financial statements which present information with a focus on major funds, rather than on fund type.

The more significant of the Township's accounting policies are described below.

1. The Reporting Entity

The accompanying financial statements present the Township of Chester. The Township has no component units, i.e., entities for which the Township is considered to be financially accountable.

2. Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

Government-Wide Financial Statements - The Government-wide financial statements (i.e., the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities) present financial information about the Township as a whole. The reported information includes all of the nonfiduciary activities of the Township. The Township does not allocate indirect costs and, for the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed. These statements are to distinguish between the *governmental* and *business-type activities* of the Township. Governmental activities normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, and are reported separately from *business-type* activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

The Statement of Net Assets is presented on the classified basis and is reported on the full accrual, economic resource basis, which recognizes all long-term assets as well as all long-term debt and obligations. The Township's net assets are reported in three parts: invested in capital assets, net of related debt; restricted net assets, and unrestricted net assets.

The Statement of Activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function are offset by program revenues. *Direct expenses* are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function. *Program revenues* include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods, services or privileges provided by a given function and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Property taxes, state revenue sharing, interest earnings and other items not included among program revenues are reported instead as *general revenues*.

Notes to Basic Financial Statements March 31, 2005

<u>Fund Financial Statements</u> – The fund financial statements provides information about the Township's funds. Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental and enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and presented in a single column.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

The Township reports the following major governmental funds:

The *General Fund* is the Township's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government except those that are required to be accounted for in another fund.

The *Fire Special Revenue Fund* accounts for property tax revenues levied to maintain the operations and capital improvements of the Township Fire Department.

The *Road Special Revenue Fund* accounts for property tax revenues levied to construct and maintain the streets and highways of the Township.

The *Improvement Revolving Special Revenue Fund* accounts for transfers from the General Fund to help fund future capital improvement projects in the Township.

The Township reports the following enterprise fund:

The Sewer Enterprise Fund accounts for the operation of the Township's sanitary sewer system.

Additionally, the Township reports the following funds:

The *Park Special Revenue Fund* accounts for transfers from the General Fund to help the park system in the Township.

The Budget Stabilization Special Revenue Fund accrues interest to help stabilize the Township's budget.

The *Trust Account Agency Fund* accounts for the collection of bonds and deposits and the payment to the governmental units or other persons entitled to receive these funds.

The *Tax Account Agency Fund* accounts for the collection of current and delinquent property taxes and the payment to the governmental units or other persons entitled to receive these funds.

3. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

Government-wide and fiduciary fund financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the grantor or provider have been met.

Notes to Basic Financial Statements March 31, 2005

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Fund level statements include a Balance Sheet and a Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances. The Balance Sheet reports current assets, current liabilities and fund balances. The Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances reports on the sources and uses of current financial resources. This differs from the economic resources measurement focus used to report at the government-wide level. Reconciliations between the two sets of statements are provided in separate statements.

Revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual; i.e., both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the Township considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days after the end of the current fiscal period. Taxes, intergovernmental revenues and interest associated with current period are all considered to susceptible to accrual and have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period.

Expenditures are recorded when the liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting, if they are paid within 60 days after the end of the current fiscal period. The exception to this general rule is that principal and interest on long-term debt and claims and judgments are recorded only when the payment is due. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of long-term debt are reported as other financing sources.

Private-sector standards of accounting and financial reporting issued prior to December 1, 1989, generally are followed in the government-wide and fiduciary fund financial statements to the extent that those standards do not conflict with or contradict guidance of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Township's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted as they are needed.

4. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

Budgets presented in the financial statements were prepared on the same basis as the accounting basis used to reflect actual results. The General and Special Revenue Funds are subject to legal budgetary accounting controls and are budgeted annually. The Township utilizes the following procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

- The budgets are generated with input from the Supervisor, Clerk, Treasurer and the Township Trustees.
- The completed budgets are then presented to Township electors at a public budget hearing in March, at which time taxpayer comments and recommendations are heard. These operating budgets include proposed expenditures and the means of financing them for the General and Special Revenue Funds.
- Prior to April 1, the budgets are legally enacted on a departmental (activity) basis through passage of an appropriations resolution.
- The budget may only be amended by action of the Township Board.
- Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for all budgetary funds.

Notes to Basic Financial Statements March 31, 2005

- Budget appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end.
- The original General and Special Revenue Funds budgets were amended during the year in compliance with State of Michigan Public Act 621 (the Uniform Budgetary and Accounting Act). The budget to actual revenues and expenditures in the financial statements represent the final budget as amended by the Township.
- The legal level of budgetary control (i.e., the level at which expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations) is the fund level for each individual fund.

5. Investments

Investments are recorded at fair value, based on quoted market prices, or estimated fair value. Investment income is composed of interest and net changes in the fair value of applicable investments.

6. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include land, land improvements, buildings and improvements, sewer system, vehicles and furniture and equipment, are reported in the government-wide financial statements. Assets having a useful life in excess of one year and whose costs exceed \$2,500 are capitalized. Capital assets are stated at historical cost or estimated historical cost where actual cost information is not available. Donated capital assets are stated at estimated fair market value at the date of donation.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of an asset or materially extend an asset's useful life are not capitalized. Improvements are capitalized and depreciated over the remaining useful life of the related assets.

Land improvements, buildings and improvements, sewer system, vehicles and furniture and equipment are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Land improvements	15-30 years
Buildings and improvements	25-40 years
Sewer system	50 years
Vehicles	5-20 years
Furniture and equipment	5-15 years

7. Long-Term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities on the Statement of Net Assets. Bond premiums and discounts, as well issuance costs, are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds. Bonds payable are reported at the total amount of bonds issued.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums and discounts, as well as bond issuance costs, during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuance are reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuance are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as expenditures.

Notes to Basic Financial Statements March 31, 2005

8. Net Assets

Net assets represent the difference between assets and liabilities. Net assets invested in capital assets, net of related debt, consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings used for the acquisition or construction of those assets. Net assets are reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through legislation or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, laws or regulations from other governments.

9. Fund Equity

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report reservations of fund balance for amounts that are not available for expenditures or are legally segregated for a specific purpose. Designations of fund balance represent tentative management plans that are subject to change.

10. Interfund Activity

Flows of cash from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as transfers in or out. Transfers between governmental funds are eliminated in the Statement of Activities. Transfers in the fund financial statements are reported as other financing sources/uses.

11. Estimates

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

Note B – Cash Equivalents and Deposits

The State of Michigan allows a political subdivision to authorize its Treasurer or other chief fiscal officer to invest surplus funds belonging to and under the control of the entity as follows:

- In bonds and other direct obligations of the United States or an agency or instrumentality of the United States.
- In certificates of deposit, savings accounts, deposit accounts, or depository receipts of a bank which is a
 member of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or a savings and loan association which is a member of
 the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation or a credit union which is insured by the National Credit
 Union Administration.
- In commercial paper rated at the time of purchase within the 3 highest classifications established by not less than 2 standard rating services and which matures not more than 270 days after the date of purchase. Not more than 50% of any fund may be invested in commercial paper at any time.
- In United States government or federal obligation repurchase agreements.
- In bankers' acceptances of United States banks.
- In mutual funds composed of investment vehicles which are legal for direct investment by local units of government in Michigan.

Notes to Basic Financial Statements March 31, 2005

• In surplus funds investment pools.

The depositories actively used by the Township during the year were Fifth Third Bank and Mercantile Bank of West Michigan.

Balances at March 31, 2005 related to cash equivalents and deposits are detailed on the combined balance sheet as follows:

Cash equivalents Deposits	\$ 75 1,338,508
	\$ 1,338,583

Cash Equivalents and Deposits

Cash equivalents consist of bank non-interest earning checking accounts. Deposits consist of bank interest earning checking and savings and certificates of deposits.

Cash equivalents and deposits at March 31, 2005, as shown by carrying amount and bank balance and classified by categories of credit risk, are itemized as follows:

	Carrying Amount	Bank Balance		
Insured – FDIC	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000		
Uninsured: Uncollateralized (this includes any bank balance that is collateralized with securities held by the pledging bank or its trust department or				
agent but not in the Township's name.)	1,238,583	1,242,863		
	\$ 1,338,583	\$ 1,342,863		

Restricted Deposits

The Sewer Enterprise Fund collects a debt service charge from each customer and is required to maintain the accumulated balances in a separate debt service reserve account. The balance on hand at March 31, 2005 is \$187,606, which is included in the above totals.

Note C – General Property Taxes

Property taxes for the Township, Ottawa County, Northeast Ottawa Library, Muskegon and Ottawa Intermediate School Districts and Coopersville Public and Ravenna Public Schools become due and payable on December 1 of each year. Property taxes for Grand Rapids Community College and Kent Intermediate School District become due and payable July 1 of each year. Property taxes for the State of Michigan, Sparta Area and Kent City Community Schools become due and payable July 1 and December 1 of each year, under a split-levy system, pursuant to the Michigan School Code of 1976. All taxes are returned delinquent March 1 of the following year.

Property tax revenues are recognized by the Township in the General and Special Revenue Funds in the fiscal year levied, to the extent they are measurable and available.

The Township bills and collects its own taxes in addition to taxes for the State of Michigan, Ottawa County, Ottawa District Library, Grand Rapids Community College, Ottawa and Muskegon Intermediate School Districts, Coopersville Public Schools, Kent City Community Schools, Ravenna Public Schools and Sparta Area Schools. The collection and remittance of taxes are accounted for in the Tax Account Agency Fund.

The Township is permitted by statute (Act 359, Public Acts of 1947, as amended by Public Acts of 1976) to levy up to 1.1 mills of general property taxes on the taxable valuation in the Township. Due to the effect of the Headlee Amendment, actual tax levies were reduced to .9696 mills for 2004 – 05 general operations.

In addition, Township electors have authorized 1.50 mills to be levied for Fire Department operations and 5.0 mills for road improvements. Due to the effect of the Headlee Amendment, actual tax levies for 2004 - 05 Fire Department operations were reduced to 1.4875. Tax levies for road improvements were reduced in 2004 - 05 to 1.5 mills by a vote of the Township board.

The tax collection record of Township taxes for the past four years is shown in the following summary:

	2004	2003	2002	2001
Township taxes levied	\$ 231,911	\$ 303,708	\$ 395,734	\$ 478,074
Taxes collected:				
Current to March 1	213,264	283,213	365,808	434,173
Total to March 31, 2005	213,264	303,140	395,734	478,074
Percentages of collections:				
Current to March 1	91.96%	93.25%	92.44%	90.82%
Total to March 31, 2005	91.96%	99.81%	100.00%	100.00%

Taxable property in the Township is assessed initially by the assessing official of the Township. These valuations are then equalized by the County and finally by the State of Michigan. Michigan statutes provide that all ad valorem taxes be levied upon State Equalized Valuation. In accordance with Act 409, Public Acts of 1965 and Article IX, Section 3 of the Michigan Constitution, State Equalized Valuation represents 50% of true cash value. The valuations of taxable property in the Township for prior years are compared with 2004 valuations in the following summary:

Year	Real	Personal	Total	
2004	\$ 55,248,707	\$ 3,361,900	\$ 58,610,607	
2003	52,497,950	4,266,100	56,734,050	
2002	50,365,025	3,952,485	54,317,510	
2001	47,307,062	3,924,385	51,231,447	
2000	44,220,529	3,619,785	47,840,314	
1999	42,016,454	3,362,054	45,378,508	
1998	40,008,544	3,277,134	43,285,678	

Note D – Due From (To) Other Funds/Transfers In (Out)

Amounts due from (to) other funds representing interfund receivables and payables for 2004-05 interest earnings and payroll reimbursements at March 31, 2005 are detailed as follows:

	Due From	Due To
General Fund:	¢ 1.646	¢
Fire Special Revenue Fund Sewer Enterprise Fund	\$ 1,646 969	\$ —
Trust Account Agency Fund	46	<u> </u>
Tax Account Agency Fund	81	
Total General Fund	2,742	
Special Revenue Funds: Fire Fund:		
General Fund	_	1,646
Sewer Enterprise Fund:		
General Fund	_	969
Agency Funds: Trust Account Fund:		
General Fund	_	46
Tax Account Fund:		0.1
General Fund		81
Total Agency Funds		127
Total All Funds	\$ 2,742	\$ 2,742

Transfers between funds during the year ended March 31, 2005 were as follows:

	Transfers From	Transfers To
General Fund:		_
Fire Special Revenue Fund	\$ —	\$ 5,000
Road Improvement Special Revenue Fund		_
Park Special Revenue Fund		20,000
Improvement Revolving Special Revenue Fund		30,000
Total General Fund	\$	\$ 55,000

	Transfers From	Transfers To		
Special Revenue Funds: Fire Fund: General Fund	\$ 5,000	\$ —		
Park Special Revenue Fund: General Fund	20,000	_		
Improvement Revolving Special Revenue Fund: General Fund	30,000	<u> </u>		
Total Special Revenue Funds	55,000	<u> </u>		
Total All Funds	\$ 55,000	\$ 55,000		

The transfers from the General Fund were made as a part of the 2004-05 budget process of the Township to support the Special Revenue Fund future operations.

Note E – General Fixed Assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended March 31, 2005 was as follows:

	Balances April 1, 2004	Additions	Sales/ Retirements	Balances March 31, 2005	
Governmental Activities				<u> </u>	
Capital assets not depreciated:					
Land	\$ 55,700	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 55,700	
Capital assets being depreciated:					
Land improvements	50,405			50,405	
Buildings and improvements	394,765			394,765	
Furniture and equipment	52,994	2,979		55,973	
Vehicles	250,736			250,736	
Totals at historical cost	804,600	\$ 2,979		807,579	
Less accumulated depreciation for:					
Land improvements	\$ 11,846	\$ 2,520	\$ —	\$ 14,366	
Buildings and improvements	77,670	10,019	_	87,688	
Furniture and equipment	13,787	4,934	_	18,721	
Vehicles	54,659	9,753	_	64,413	
Total accumulated depreciation	157,962	\$ 27,226	\$ <u> </u>	185,188	
Net Capital Assets –					
Governmental Activities	\$ 646,638			\$ 622,391	

Depreciation expense was charged to Township activities as follows:

General government Public safety Recreational and cultural	\$ 3,374 21,052 2,800
	\$ 27,226

	Balances April 1, 2004 Additions		Sales/ Retirements	Balances March 31, 2005	
Business-Type Activities					
Capital assets being depreciated: Sewer system	\$ 1,380,850		\$	\$ 1,380,850	
Less accumulated depreciation	148,082	26,924		175,006	
Net Capital Assets – Business-Type Activities	\$ 1,232,768			\$ 1,205,844	

Note F – Receivables

Amounts shown as accounts receivable of the Sewer Enterprise Fund consists of current and delinquent sewer usage charges.

Amounts due from the general property tax roll represent sewer bills that are delinquent six months as of September 1 each year and are certified to the general property tax roll as of that date together with interest at 6% per annum. These amounts are then included with the general property taxes which become due and payable December 1 each year and become a lien on the property as of the date.

Note G – Due To Other Governmental Units

Payables of the Sewer Enterprise Fund represent operating expenses incurred during the 2005 - 04 fiscal year but paid subsequent to the close of the Township's fiscal year.

Note H - Long-Term Debt

Changes in long-term debt for the year ended March 31, 2005 are summarized as follows:

	_	alances il 1, 2004	Deb	Debt Added Debt Retired		_	Salances ch 31, 2005	
Enterprise Fund Debt Sewage Disposal Bonds: June 1, 1996	\$	675,000	\$	_	\$	7,000	\$	668,000

Long-term bonds at March 31, 2005 are comprised of the following:

	Final Maturity Dates	Interest Rates	Outstanding Balance	Amount Due Within One Year
Sewage Disposal Bonds	Dates	Kates	Dalance	One rear
\$733M 2003 Sewage Disposal Bonds: Annual maturities of 7M to 35M	June 1, 2036	5.125	\$ 668,000	\$ 7,000

The annual requirements to amortize the bonds outstanding as of March 31, 2005 are detailed below:

Year Ended March 31	Principal	Interest	Total
2006	\$ 7,000	\$ 34,056	\$ 41,056
2007	7,000	33,697	40,697
2008	7,000	33,338	40,338
2009	7,000	32,979	39,979
2010	8,000	32,595	40,595
2011	11,000	32,108	43,108
2012	11,000	31,544	42,544
2013	13,000	30,929	43,929
2014	15,000	30,212	45,212
2015	16,000	29,418	45,418
2016	18,000	28,547	46,547
2017	18,000	27,624	45,624
2018	20,000	26,650	46,650
2019	20,000	25,625	45,625
2020	20,000	24,600	44,600
2021	20,000	23,575	43,575
2022	20,000	22,550	42,550
2023	25,000	21,397	46,397
2024	25,000	20,116	45,116
2025	25,000	18,835	43,835
2026	30,000	17,425	47,425
2027	30,000	15,887	45,887
2028	30,000	14,350	44,350
2029	30,000	12,813	42,813
2030	30,000	11,275	41,275
2031	30,000	9,737	39,737
2032	35,000	8,072	43,072
2033	35,000	6,279	41,279
2034	35,000	4,485	39,485
2035	35,000	2,691	37,691
2036	35,000	897	35,897
	\$ 668,000	\$ 664,306	\$ 1,332,721

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

GENERAL FUND

To account for resources traditionally associated with governments which are not required to be accounted for in another fund.

CHESTER TOWNSHIP General Fund Comparative Balance Sheet March 31, 2005 and 2004

Assets	2005		2004	
Deposits Receivables: Taxes Accounts Due from other funds Due from other governmental units Prepaid expenditures	\$	219,939 6,367 1,226 2,742 27,394 10,372	\$	174,463 5,428 6,918 23,964
Total Assets	\$	268,040	\$	210,773
Liabilities and Fund Balances				
Liabilities Accounts payable Payroll withholdings payable	\$	5,016	\$	3,768 1,894
Total Liabilities		5,016		5,662
Fund Balances Unreserved: Undesignated		263,024		205,111
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$	268,040	\$	210,773

CHESTER TOWNSHIP General Fund

Comparative Schedule of Revenues For the years ended March 31, 2005 and 2004

	2005	2004
Taxes:	\$ 56,708	\$ 54,901
Current property taxes Street light assessment	2,698	2,727
Weed control assessment	3,762	6,850
Delinquent property taxes	104	20
Trailer fees	306	306
Penalties and interest on taxes	1,850	2,125
Property tax administration fees	19,506	14,509
	84,934	81,438
Licenses and permits:	04,234	01,430
Building and other permits	18,539	24,881
State sources:		
Sales taxes	193,118	197,532
Charges for services:		
Board of review fees	2,029	1,000
Summer tax collection fees	1,133	2,917
Sale of cemetery lots	325	1,975
	3,487	5,892
Interest and rentals:		
Interest on deposits and investments	3,578	6,207
Rentals	1,250	1,650
	4,828	7,857
Other revenue:	4.054	2.1.60
Reimbursements - septic tanks	4,954	2,160
Reimbursements for sewer expenses	130	2,931
Sale of property Miscellaneous	39,500 1,880	-
Miscendieous		
	46,464	5,091
Total Revenues	\$ 351,370	\$ 322,691

General Fund

Comparative Schedule of Expenditures For the years ended March 31, 2005 and 2004

	2005	2004		
Current:				
General government:				
Township board:	Φ 4.240	Ф 4.240		
Salaries	\$ 4,348	\$ 4,348		
Social Security	333	- 01		
Seminars	<u>271</u> 4,952	4,439		
Supervisor:	4,932	4,439		
Salary	14,076	14,076		
Social Security	1,077	14,070		
Seminars	70	_		
Schinars	15,223	14,076		
Assessor:	13,223	14,070		
Salaries:				
Assessor	8,820	8,820		
Deputy assessor	5,490	5,510		
Social Security	1,096	-		
Miscellaneous	20	2,636		
Misconarious	15,426	16,966		
Legal and audit:	15,120	10,700		
Legal fees	11,236	15,986		
Audit fees	5,000	9,750		
	16,236	25,736		
Clerk:				
Salaries:				
Clerk	14,490	14,490		
Deputy	2,200	2,101		
Social Security	1,277	-		
Seminars	754	626		
	18,721	17,217		
Board of review:				
Salaries	82	973		
Social Security	6	-		
Seminars	285			
	373	973		
General administration:	44.000	1000		
Administrative salaries	11,893	12,262		
Social Security	915	-		
Office supplies	4,091	2,851		
Postage	1,231	790		
Contracted services	264	325		
Computer access charge	264	4,498		
Computer software/support	17,838	2 122		
Telephone	4,215	3,122		
Travel and expenses	1,575	1,040		
Printing and publishing	1,119	695		
Newsletter	1,995	972		
Equipment maintenance	1 (0)	4,556		
Dues and memberships	1,624	1,449		
Miscellaneous	1,369	3,274		
Capital outlay	8,188	-		
	56,581	35,834		

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General Fund

Comparative Schedule of Expenditures For the years ended March 31, 2005 and 2004

	2005	5 2004
Treasurer:		
Salaries:	0 1	2.455 0 12.455
Treasurer		3,455 \$ 13,455
Deputy		1,667 1,692
Social Security		1,157 -
Property tax administration system		2,287 2,362
Seminars		235 144
Elections:	1	8,801 17,653
Salaries		1,362 -
Social Security		104 -
Printing and publishing		682
Miscellaneous		315
Miscenaneous		2,463
Buildings and grounds:		2,403 -
Custodial and maintenance salaries		3,061 2,940
Social Security		234 -
Supplies		216 496
Contracted services		2,410 4,097
Heating		2,205 1,658
Electric		2,285 2,214
Repair and maintenance		3,158 18,672
Miscellaneous		422 795
Capital outlay		736
Capital Outlay	1.	4,727 30,872
Cemetery:	1	1,727 30,072
Sexton salary		2,800 3,678
Social Security		214 -
Grounds maintenance		400 500
		3,414 4,178
Total general government	16	6,917 167,944
Public safety:		
Law enforcement	1	1,862 9,002
Law emorcement	1	1,002 9,002
Inspections:		
Salaries:		
Building inspector		4,170 6,600
Electrical inspector		1,860 2,040
Plumbing inspector		2,160 1,590
Building office		3,167 -
Social Security		869 -
Travel and expenses		743 1,256
Miscellaneous		148 433
	1	3,117 11,919
Planning:		
Planning commission salaries		2,510 2,960
Social Security		192 -
Master plan development		40 3,858
Education		915 136
		3,657 6,954
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General Fund

Comparative Schedule of Expenditures For the years ended March 31, 2005 and 2004

	2005	2004
Zoning: Zoning administrator salary Zoning board of appeals Social Security	\$ 10,200 450 815	\$ 10,000 590
·	11,465	10,590
Total public safety	40,101	38,465
Public works: Drains:		
Drain maintenance	-	24
Highways, streets and bridges: Sidewalk maintenance	-	1,600
Street lighting: Utilities	4,476	4,696
Weed control: Contracted services	5,350	8,968
Sewer: Salaries: Sewer administrator Social Security Sewer billing Supplies	759 58 - -	1,320 1,023 150
	817	2,493
Total public works	10,643	17,781
Other township: Social Security taxes Retirement Insurance and bonds Council on aging Northwest Ambulance Intergovernmental contributions Tax refunds Total other township	4,200 12,156 - 3,000 - 1,440 20,796	8,149 4,200 7,655 5,000 3,000 600 28,604
Capital outlay:		
Office equipment and furniture		17,002
Total Expenditures	\$ 238,457	\$ 269,796

NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

CHESTER TOWNSHIP Combining Balance Sheet Nonmajor Governmental Funds March 31, 2005

		Park		Budget Park Stabilization				Total	
Assets									
Deposits	\$	13,676	\$	24,353	\$	38,029			
Liabilities and Fund Balances									
Liabilities	\$		\$	_	\$				
Fund Balances Unreserved:									
Undesignated		13,676		24,353		38,029			
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$	13,676	\$	24,353	\$	38,029			

CHESTER TOWNSHIP Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Nonmajor Governmental Funds For the year ended March 31, 2005

	Special I		
Davanuas	Park	ludget oilization	 Total
Revenues Interest and rentals	\$ 88	\$ 204	\$ 292
Expenditures Current:			
Recreational and cultural	 8,259		8,259
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	 (8,171)	 204	 (7,967)
Other Financing Sources Transfers in	 20,000	 	 20,000
Net Change in Fund Balances	11,829	204	12,033
Fund Balances, April 1	 1,847	 24,149	 25,996
Fund Balances, March 31	\$ 13,676	\$ 24,353	\$ 38,029

Park Special Revenue Fund

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual For the year ended March 31, 2005 With comparative actual amounts for the year ended March 31, 2004

		2005						2004
Revenues Interest and rentals	Budg \$	et	Actual		Variance - Positive (Negative)		\$	Actual 7
interest and rentals	<u> </u>	10	\$	88	\$	78	<u> </u>	
Expenditures Current: Recreation and cultural: Parks and recreation	18	3,800		8,259		10,541		13,548
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	(18.	,790)		(8,171)		10,619		(13,541)
Other Financing Sources Transfers in	20	0,000		20,000				15,000
Net Change in Fund Balances	1	1,210		11,829		10,619		1,459
Fund Balances, April 1	1	1,847		1,847				388
Fund Balances, March 31	\$ 3	3,057	\$	13,676	\$	10,619	\$	1,847

CHESTER TOWNSHIP Budget Stabilization Special Revenue Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual For the year ended March 31, 2005 With comparative actual amounts for the year ended March 31, 2004

		2005						2004			
D.	I	Budget		Actual		Variai Posit		iance - sitive gative)	F	Actual	
Revenues Interest and rentals	\$	100	\$	204	\$	104	\$	115			
Expenditures				_							
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures		100		204		104		115			
Fund Balances, April 1		24,149		24,149				24,034			
Fund Balances, March 31	\$	24,249	\$	24,353	\$	104	\$	24,149			

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Fire Fund—to account for property taxes levied for fire prevention purposes.

Road Fund—to account for property taxes levied for road maintenance and construction purposes.

Park Fund—to account for contributions and General Fund transfers to be used for park maintenance and equipment.

Budget Stabilization Fund—to account for General Fund contributions and interest earnings to be used for future budgeted expenditures.

Improvement Revolving —to account for General Fund contributions to be used for future capital improvement projects.

CHESTER TOWNSHIP Fire Special Revenue Fund Comparative Balance Sheet March 31, 2005 and 2004

Assets	 2005		2004
Deposits Taxes receivable Due from other governmental units Prepaid expenditures	\$ 187,143 6,884 1,280 14,030	\$	178,777 5,537 - -
Total Assets	\$ 209,337	\$	184,314
Liabilities and Fund Balances			
Liabilities Accounts payable Due to other funds	\$ 236 1,646	\$	- 1,646
Total Liabilities	 1,882		1,646
Fund Balances Unreserved: Undesignated	 207,455		182,668
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 209,337	\$	184,314

Fire Special Revenue Fund Comparative Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances For the years ended March 31, 2005 and 2004

		2005		2004
Revenues		2003		2004
Taxes:				
Current property taxes	\$	87,034	\$	84,228
Delinquent property taxes	Ψ	36	Ψ	30
Total taxes		87,070		84,258
Total taxes		67,070		04,230
Interest and rentals:				
Interest and remains. Interest on deposits		2,884		828
interest on deposits		2,004		020
Other revenue:				
Miscellaneous		223		19
Sale of assets		3,000		-
Insurance reimbursements		-		104,076
Refunds of expenditures		-		1,795
Total other revenue		3,223		105,890
	-			
Total Revenues		93,177		190,976
E-man ditunes				
Expenditures Current:				
Public safety:				
•				
Fire department: Salaries:				
Fire chief		5,200		3,900
Deputy fire chief		2,600		1,950
Fire officers		5,620		4,215
Firefighters		13,295		13,274
Employee benefits:		13,273		13,274
Social Security		2,079		2,075
Life/disability insurance		3,017		2,766
Workers' compensation insurance		1,141		999
Supplies		2,755		818
Gas and oil		1,134		675
Rescue supplies		193		527
Uniforms		1,807		47
Telephone		613		569
Education		1,035		270
Insurance and bonds		10,993		7,183
Heating		3,793		4,136
Electric		1,588		2,019
Sewer		300		300
Building maintenance		2,207		3,112
Equipment maintenance		1,442		820
Vehicle maintenance		3,353		2,182
Dues and memberships		800		750
Miscellaneous		291		719
Tax refunds		2,160		-
Buildings and improvements		1,277		58,114
New equipment		4,697		61,028
Total Expenditures		73,390		172,448
-				

Fire Special Revenue Fund Comparative Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances For the years ended March 31, 2005 and 2004

	2005	2004
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures	 19,787	 18,528
Other Financing Sources Transfers in	 5,000	5,694
Net Change in Fund Balances	24,787	24,222
Fund Balances, April 1	 182,668	 158,446
Fund Balances, March 31	\$ 207,455	\$ 182,668

CHESTER TOWNSHIP Road Special Revenue Fund Comparative Balance Sheet March 31, 2005 and 2004

Assets	 2005	 2004
Deposits Taxes receivable	\$ 412,807 6,942	\$ 352,478 10,782
Total Assets	\$ 419,749	\$ 363,260
Liabilities and Fund Balances		
Liabilities	\$ 	\$
Fund balances Unreserved:		
Undesignated	419,749	363,260
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$ 419,749	\$ 363,260

Road Special Revenue Fund Comparative Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances For the years ended March 31, 2005 and 2004

Revenues	2005			2004
Taxes:				
Current property taxes	\$	87,767	\$	164,012
Delinquent property taxes	Ψ	86	Ψ	104,012
Interest and rentals:		80		101
Interest and remais. Interest on investments		6,775		1,889
State sources:		0,773		1,007
Metro Act payment		3,010		855
nious rict payment		3,010		
Total Revenues		97,638		166,857
Expenditures				
Current:				
Public works:				
Highways, streets and bridges:		24040		240.504
Road improvements		34,948		240,504
Dust layer		456		1,277
Tax refunds		5,745		
Total Expenditures		41,149		241,781
Evenes (Definionar) of Boyonyas				
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures		56,489		(74,924)
•		<u> </u>	-	<u> </u>
Other Financing Sources				
Transfers in				10,000
Net Change in Fund Balances		56,489		(64,924)
Fund Balances, April 1		363,260		428,184
Fund Balances, March 31	\$	419,749	\$	363,260

CHESTER TOWNSHIP Park Special Revenue Fund Comparative Balance Sheet March 31, 2005 and 2004

Assets	2005		2004	
Deposits	\$	13,676	\$	1,847
Liabilities and Fund Balances				
Liabilities	\$		\$	_
Fund Balances Unreserved:				
Undesignated		13,676		1,847
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$	13,676	\$	1,847

Park Special Revenue Fund Comparative Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances For the years ended March 31, 2005 and 2004

Revenues		2005		2004
Interest and rentals:				
	\$	88	\$	7
Interest on deposits and investments	<u> </u>	00	Ф	
Expenditures				
Current:				
Recreation and cultural:				
Parks and recreation:				
Maintenance salaries		6,224		7,204
Social Security		476		574
Utilities		245		270
Grounds maintenance		1,232		1,424
Miscellaneous		82		52
Land improvements				4,024
Total Expenditures		8,259		13,548
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures		(8,171)		(13,541)
Other Eineneine Courses				
Other Financing Sources Transfers in		20,000		15,000
Net Change in Fund Balances		11,829		1,459
Fund Balances, April 1		1,847		388
Fund Balances, March 31	\$	13,676	\$	1,847

CHESTER TOWNSHIP Budget Stabilization Special Revenue Fund Comparative Balance Sheet March 31, 2005 and 2004

Assets	2005		2004
Deposits	\$	24,353	\$ 24,149
Liabilities and Fund Balances			
Liabilities	\$		\$
Fund Balances Unreserved: Undesignated		24,353	24,149
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$	24,353	\$ 24,149

CHESTER TOWNSHIP Budget Stabilization Special Revenue Fund Comparative Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances For the years ended March 31, 2005 and 2004

Povonyos	2005	2004
Revenues Interest and rentals: Interest on deposits	\$ 204	\$ 115
Expenditures	-	
Net Change in Fund Balances	204	115
Fund Balances, April 1	 24,149	 24,034
Fund Balances, March 31	\$ 24,353	\$ 24,149

CHESTER TOWNSHIP Improvement Revolving Special Revenue Fund Comparative Balance Sheet March 31, 2005 and 2004

Assets	2005		2004
Deposits	\$	246,034	\$ 212,027
Liabilities and Fund Balances			
Liabilities	\$		\$
Fund Balances Unreserved: Undesignated		246,034	 212,027
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$	246,034	\$ 212,027

CHESTER TOWNSHIP Improvement Revolving Special Revenue Fund Comparative Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances For the years ended March 31, 2005 and 2004

	2005	2004	
Revenues Interest and rentals: Interest on deposits	\$ 4,007	\$	1,533
Expenditures	 		
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures	4,007		1,533
Other Financing Sources Transfers in	 30,000		20,000
Net Change in Fund Balances	34,007		21,533
Fund Balances, April 1	 212,027		190,494
Fund Balances, March 31	\$ 246,034	\$	212,027

ENTERPRISE FUND

Sewer Enterprise - to account for the provision of sewer services to the residents of the Township. All activities necessary to provide such services are accounted for in this fund, including, but not limited to, operations, main-tenance, administration, debt service, construction and billing and collection.

CHESTER TOWNSHIP Sewer Enterprise Fund Comparative Balance Sheet March 31, 2005 and 2004

Assets		2005		2004
Assets				
Current Assets	\$	75	\$	
Cash equivalents Deposits	Ф	35,823	Ф	31,411
Receivables:		33,023		31,111
Accounts		7,517		8,840
Due from tax roll		1,310		1,741
Restricted assets: Deposits		187,606		184,750
Accounts receivable		8,996		-
Due from tax roll		3,649		-
Accrued interest		2,900		9,900
Special assessments - current portion		24,260		- 226,642
Total Current Assets		272,136		236,642
Noncurrent Assets				
Capital assets		1,380,850		1,380,850
Less accumulated depreciation		(175,006)		(148,082)
Net capital assets		1,205,844		1,232,768
Restricted assets:				
Special assessments receivable		230,000		270,048
Total Noncurrent Assets		1,435,844		1,502,816
Total Assets	\$	1,707,980	\$	1,739,458
Total Assets	Ψ	1,707,700	Ψ	1,737,430
Liebilities and Fund Family				
Liabilities and Fund Equity				
Liabilities				
Current liabilities (payable from current assets):				
Due to other funds	\$	969	\$	1,587
Due to other governmental units Accrued interest payable		3,521 11,412		3,087 11,400
Total current liabilities (payable from current assets)		15,902		16,074
		13,702		10,071
Current liabilities (payable from restricted assets): Current portion of bonds payable		7,000		7,000
Total Current Liabilities		22,902		23,074
Long-term liabilities (net of current portion):				
Bonds payable		661,000		668,000
Total Liabilities		683,902		691,074
Fund Equity				
Retained earnings		1,024,078		1,048,384
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	\$	1,707,980	\$	1,739,458
Loui Diamines and Land Equity	Ψ	1,707,700	Ψ	1,737,730

CHESTER TOWNSHIP Sewer Enterprise Fund Comparative Schedule of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Retained Earnings For the years ended March 31, 2005 and 2004

	2005	2004
Operating Revenues Charges for services	\$ 24,828	\$ 22,485
Operating Expenses Salaries Office supplies and postage Operation and maintenance Audit fees Depreciation	2,159 857 14,094 1,200 26,924	2,931 356 12,167 2,000 26,924
Total Operating Expenses	45,234	44,378
Operating Loss	(20,406)	(21,893)
Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses) Interest earnings Connection charges Interest expense	25,673 4,860 (34,429)	25,446 4,920 (34,523)
Net Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)	(3,896)	(4,157)
Net Loss Before Depreciation Credit	(24,302)	(26,050)
Credit for Depreciation on Contributed Assets		26,924
Net Income (Loss)	(24,302)	874
Retained Earnings, April 1	1,048,380	1,047,510
Retained Earnings, March 31	\$ 1,024,078	\$ 1,048,384

CHESTER TOWNSHIP Sewer Enterprise Fund Comparative Schedule of Cash Flows For the years ended March 31, 2005 and 2004

Cook Flores From Oneseting Activities		2005		2004
Cash Flows From Operating Activities Receipts from customers	\$	25,237	\$	25,883
Payments to suppliers	Ψ	(16,151)	Ψ	(22,172)
Payments to employees		(2,159)		(2,343)
Net Cash Provided By Operating Activities		6,927		1,368
Cash Flows From Capital and Related Financing Activities				
Collection of special assessments		4,300		20,110
Connection charges Principal paid on bonds		4,860 (7,000)		(7,000)
Interest paid on bonds		(34,417)		(34,773)
		(- , -)	-	(- ,)
Net Cash Used For Capital and		(32.257)		(21.663)
Related Financing Activities		(32,257)		(21,663)
Cash Flows From Investing Activities				
Interest received		32,673		23,296
Net Increase In Cash and Cash Equivalents		7,343		3,001
Cash and Cash Equivalents, beginning of year		216,161		213,160
Cash and Cash Equivalents, end of year	\$	223,504	\$	216,161
Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) To Net				
Cash Provided By (Used For) By Operating Activities				
Operating loss	\$	(20,406)	\$	(21,893)
Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash				
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provided (used) by operating activities: Depreciation		26,924		26,924
provided (used) by operating activities: Depreciation Changes in assets and liabilities:		•		•
provided (used) by operating activities: Depreciation Changes in assets and liabilities: (Increase) decrease in accounts receivable		1,323		1,634
provided (used) by operating activities: Depreciation Changes in assets and liabilities: (Increase) decrease in accounts receivable (Increase) decrease in due from property tax roll		1,323 431		•
provided (used) by operating activities: Depreciation Changes in assets and liabilities: (Increase) decrease in accounts receivable (Increase) decrease in due from property tax roll (Increase) decrease in special assessments receivable		1,323 431 5,827		1,634
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AGENCY FUNDS

Trust Account Agency—to account for the safekeeping of escrow deposits to the Township and the repayment to the persons entitled to receive the monies.

Tax Account Agency—to account for the collection of current and delinquent property taxes, dog licenses, delinquent special assessments and delinquent quarterly sewer charges and payment to the governmental units, funds or other persons entitled to receive these funds.

CHESTER TOWNSHIP Agency Funds Combining Balance Sheet March 31, 2005 With comparative totals for March 31, 2004

						Totals			
Assets	Trust Account		Tax Account		2005		2004		
Deposits	\$	11,046	\$	81	\$	11,127	\$	13,504	
Liabilities and Fund Balances									
Liabilities Due to other funds Due to other governmental units Escrow deposits	\$	46 - 11,000	\$	81 - -	\$	127 - 11,000	\$	3,685 2,839 6,980	
Total Liabilities		11,046		81		11,127		13,504	
Fund Balances									
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$	11,046	\$	81	\$	11,127	\$	13,504	

CHESTER TOWNSHIP All Agency Funds Combining Schedule of Changes in Assets and Liabilities For the year ended March 31, 2005

Trust Account Fund	Balances April 1, 2004		Additions		Deductions		Balances March 31, 2005	
Assets Cash equivalents Deposits	\$	7,009	\$	3,500 7,537	\$	3,500 3,500	\$	11,046
Total Assets	\$	7,009	\$	11,037	\$	7,000	\$	11,046
Liabilities Due to other funds Escrow deposits	\$	29 6,980	\$	37 7,500	\$	3,500	\$	46 11,000
Total Liabilities	\$	7,009	\$	7,537	\$	3,500	\$	11,046
Tax Account Fund Assets Deposits	\$	6,495	\$	1,698,963	\$	1,705,377	\$	81
Liabilities Accounts payable Due to other funds Due to other governmental units	\$	3,656 2,839	\$	4,585 273,291 1,421,087	\$	4,585 276,866 1,423,926	\$	- 81 -
Total Liabilities	\$	6,495	\$	1,698,963	\$	1,705,377	\$	81
Totals - All Agency Funds								
Assets Cash equivalents Deposits	\$	13,504	\$	3,500 1,706,500	\$	3,500 1,708,877	\$	11,127
Total Assets	\$	13,504	\$	1,710,000	\$	1,712,377	\$	11,127
Liabilities Accounts payable Due to other funds Due to other governmental units Escrow deposits	\$	3,685 2,839 6,980	\$	4,585 273,328 1,421,087 7,500	\$	4,585 276,866 1,423,926 3,500	\$	127 11,000
Total Liabilities	\$	13,504	\$	1,706,500	\$	1,708,877	\$	11,127

OTHER INFORMATION

CHESTER TOWNSHIP Summary of 2004 Taxes Levied and Collected For the year ended March 31, 2005

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	Taxable Valuation	Rate	Taxes Levied	Returned	Current
Ad Valorem Taxes	v aiuatioii	(Mills)	Levieu	Delinquent	Collections
Au valorem raxes					
Ottawa County	\$58,610,607	4.2593	\$ 249,623	\$ 20,071	\$ 229,552
Ottawa District Library	58,610,607	0.5881	34,463	2,771	31,692
State Education Tax		6.0000			
Coopersville Public Schools	16,843,505		101,060	5,158	95,902
Kent City Community Schools	4,717,328		28,304	1,078	27,226
Ravenna Area Schools	16,865,961		101,194	9,115	92,079
Sparta Area Schools	20,183,813		121,102	2,826	118,276
			351,660	18,177	333,483
School Districts					
Kent Intermediate School District	24,901,141	4.5333	112,882	2,949	109,933
Muskegon Intermediate School District		3.7580	63,381	7,687	55,694
Ottawa Intermediate School District	16,843,505	4.2192	71,064	5,804	65,260
Grand Rapids Community College	24,901,141	1.7865	44,484	1,162	43,322
Coopersville Public Schools:	1 6 0 4 2 5 0 5	0.1500	107.070	11.010	126061
Other	16,843,505	8.1500	137,273	11,212	126,061
Operating V. Cit. C. 1. 1	2,057,344	18.0000	37,032	5,169	31,863
Kent City Community Schools:	4 717 220	0.2500	42 (22	2 220	41 205
Other	4,717,328	9.2500	43,633	2,338	41,295
Operating	559,463	18.0000	10,070	203	9,867
Ravenna Public Schools:	16 965 061	7,0000	110.060	14210	102 742
Other	16,865,961	7.0000 18.0000	118,060 37,227	14,318 9,308	103,742 27,919
Operating Sparta Area Schools:	2,068,192	18.0000	31,221	9,306	27,919
Other	20,183,813	7.2252	145,825	5,189	140,636
Operating	3,918,000	17.7084	69,381	1,045	68,336
Operating	3,918,000	17.7004	09,381	1,043	00,330
Total School Districts			890,312	66,384	823,928
Chester Township	58,610,607				
Operating	, ,	0.9696	56,823	4,569	52,254
Road improvement		1.5000	87,911	7,069	80,842
Fire protection		1.4875	87,177	7,009	80,168
Annual charges:			•	•	
Street lighting			2,698	459	2,239
Weed control			3,762	198	3,564
Delinquent sewer charges			12,751	4,929	7,822
Tax administration fees			17,571	1,261	16,310
Total Township			268,693	25,494	243,199
Total Ad Valorem Taxes			\$1,794,751	\$ 132,897	\$1,661,854



June 24, 2005

The Township Board Chester Township Ottawa County, Michigan

The following comments pertain to our audit of the financial records of Chester Township as of and for the year ended March 31, 2005. The comments are made in accordance with Statement on Auditing Standards No. 61 "Communication With Audit Committees" which requires that in certain audits, certain matters are to be communicated to those who have responsibility for oversight of the financial reporting process. The communications required by this Statement, if pertinent to the examination, are as follows:

- 1. Auditor's Responsibility Under Generally Accepted Auditing Standards.
- 2. Significant Accounting Policies.
- 3. Management Judgments and Accounting Estimates.
- 4. Significant Audit Adjustments.
- 5. Other Information in Documents Containing Audited Financial Statements.
- 6. Disagreements With Management.
- 7. Consultation With Other Accountants.
- 8. Major Issues Discussed With Management Prior to Retention.
- 9. Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit.
- 10. Uncorrected Misstatements (Passed Audit Adjustments).

The communications specified by this Statement are incidental to the audit and are not required to occur before, nor do they affect, our auditor's report on the Township's financial statements.

The following are the matters to be communicated by SAS No. 61 based on our observations during the course of our audit of the financial statements and our review and evaluation of the internal control system of Chester Township.

Auditors Responsibility Under Generally Accepted Auditing Standards

We conducted our audit in accordance with Generally Accepted Auditing Standards (GAAS). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable, rather than absolute, assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. We are required by GAAS to obtain a sufficient understanding of the internal control structure to plan the audit and to determine the nature, timing and extent of tests to be performed. The purpose of the audit was to report on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control structure. Because of inherent limitations in any internal control structure, errors or irregularities may occur and not be detected.

Significant Accounting Policies

The elected officials and management of Chester Township have the responsibility for selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. In accordance with the terms of our engagement letter will advise the Township elected officials and management about the appropriateness of accounting policies and their application. The significant accounting policies used by Chester Township are described in Note A of the Notes to Basic Financial Statements in the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. As described in Note A, Chester Township changed accounting policies related to financial reporting by adopting GASB Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements – Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments in fiscal year 2004-05

Difficulties Encountered In Performing The Audit

We encountered no significant difficulties in performing our audit of the financial records of Chester Township. We found that the internal control structure and accounting system was adequate and operating in the manner intended. The audit field work and preparation of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report took longer than usual due to the expanded requirements of Governmental Standards Board Statement No. 34, mainly for the establishment of the Township initial capital asset and depreciation schedules.

Significant Audit Adjustments

During the course of our audit the following adjustments of a significant nature were made to the accounting records of the Township to bring the balances to those presented in the financial statements.

General Fund

- 1. \$5,428 and \$6,367 to reverse and accrue prior and current year taxes receivable.
- 2. \$3,768 and \$3,107 to reverse and accrue prior and current year end accounts payable.
- 3. \$10,372 to record prepaid expenditures for 2005-06 insurance premiums paid prior to year end.
- 4. \$23,964 and \$27,284 to reverse and accrue final state revenue sharing payments receivable at year end.

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Road Fund

1. \$10,762 and \$6,942 to reverse and accrue year end taxes receivable.

Fire Fund

- 1. \$5,537 and \$6,884 to reverse and accrue year end taxes receivable.
- 2. \$14,030 to record prepaid expenditures for 2005-06 insurance premiums paid prior to year end.

Sewer Enterprise Fund

- 1. \$26,924 to record 2004-05 depreciation expense on system assets.
- 2. \$10,581 and \$8,827 to reverse and accrue prior and current year end accounts receivable.
- 3. \$3,087 and \$3,521 to reverse and accrue prior and current year end accounts payable.
- 4. \$20,648 to classify special assessment collections to the proper revenue accounts.
- 5. \$10,375 to classify interest collected/earned on the certificate of deposit to the proper accounts.
- 6. \$24,119 to classify bond principal and interest payments to the proper accounts.

Passed Audit Adjustments

There were no adjustments proposed during the audit that were not recorded by Chester Township.

Suggestions And Recommendations

We offered suggestions and recommendations of a minor nature regarding the day-to-day operations of the accounting system to the Township Clerk and Treasurer as the topics arose during the course of our audit field work. Hopefully, these suggestions will ease the day-to-day operations of the Township's business office and assist in more efficient monthly and year end financial record keeping and reporting.

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This communication is intended solely for the information and use of the Township Board, officers, administration and others within the organization. We have furnished a copy of this letter to the Michigan Department of Treasury as an enclosure with the audit report as required by the State of Michigan.

We appreciate the opportunity to provide financial auditing and advisory services to Chester Township and hope to continue to do so in the future. We also appreciate the dedication and cooperation of Chester Township Clerk and Treasurer in performing their functions and in assisting us in completing ours. If there are any questions regarding the audit report, or the attached communication, we will be happy to address them.

Hunger ford, Aldrin, Nichole & Center, P.C.

Certified Public Accountants